## Report to the Council

Committee: Cabinet

Subject: Asset Management and Date: 19 February 2013 Economic Development Portfolio

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Anne Grigg

## **Recommending:**

That the report of the Asset Management and Economic Development Portfolio Holder be noted.

## North Weald Airfield Review

The procurement exercise for the appointment of consultants to undertake the review of the Airfield has been completed with the appointment of Drivers Jonas Deloitte. Since Cabinet agreed at its meeting on 4 February to waive call-in, the consultants were able to commence their commission ahead of the original date of 18 February. This will be helpful in meeting the tight deadlines associated with the developing Local Plan. The rest of the timetable currently remains as I reported to the last Council as:

- interim conclusions to be reported to the North Weald Airfield & Asset Management Cabinet Committee on 22 April
- further refinement of options and final recommendation(s) by 10 May
- details to Local Plan workshops scheduled for late May / early June
- final option(s) / recommendation(s) to Cabinet on 10 June 2013

The final recommendation(s) will then go forward and into the "Preferred Options" consultation phase of the Local Plan development process.